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**NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)**

Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application of:

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For: Apparatus and Method for Sealing a Conduit

This new application is an original (nonprovisional) patent application.

- Enclosed are:
- (a) Thirteen (13) pages of specification including one title page;
  - (b) Three (3) pages of claims;
  - (c) One (1) page of abstract;
  - (d) Two (2) sheets of drawings;
  - (e) Signed combined Declaration and Power of Attorney;
  - (f) Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) PTO 1449 with copies of references cited;

- (g) Assertion of Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. 1.27(c)(1);
- (h) Assignment and assignment cover sheet and a check in the amount of \$40.00; and
- (i) Return Receipt Postcard.

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Independent Claims:	1	-3 =	0	x \$80 =	\$0.00
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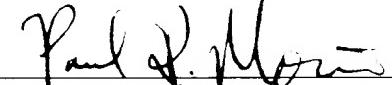
**ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.27(c)(1)**

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Inventor (*Jay E. Widman*), and potential assignee (*Houston Wire & Cable Company*), assert that they are all small entities that qualify for small entity status under 13 C.F.R. 121, 37 C.F.R. 1.27(a)(1), and 37 C.F.R. 1.27(a)(2).

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